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### YACHTS AND CREWS READY FOR TO-MORROW'S RACE; MEN AT SIGNAL PRACTICE

Heavy Weather Dashes Hopes  
of Setting Up Sails on Eve  
of First Conflict.

TEST SHAMROCK CANVAS

Oil Smudges Now Fully  
Cleaned Off Resolute  
and Her Challenger.

The following special forecast for the yacht races to-morrow was received by the local Weather Bureau from Washington to-day:

"Moderate to fresh winds off Sandy Hook. Mostly southwest and westerly. Weather unsettled with thunder showers probable during the day."

By Lindsay Denison.

(Special Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

HIGHLANDS, N. J., July 14.—Heavy fog blanketing the harbor the day before the commencement of the races for the America's Cup to-day inspired fervent prayers by yachting experts that the sun, which was struggling through the gray banks, would burn through and insure a good day of final rehearsal.

As was neither the Resolute nor the Shamrock IV, could be seen this morning from the Sandy Hook observation towers, under which they lay at anchor.

The uncertainty and thickness of the weather dashed the probabilities of either yacht having their sails up to-day, as the rival skippers were not considered likely to get them wet so close to the hour of the first test of defender and contender. It was announced on good authority that the crews of the Resolute and Shamrock IV, would spend the day in practice, in the manner of the signal practice of rival rowing crews on the eve of a 'varied sail race.'

Yacht experts attempting to forecast the results of to-morrow's opening trial were anxious for a closer final look at the Shamrock IV's remarkably metallic-like spread of canvas. The admiration of all yachtsmen had been aroused by the fit of the sails tried out by the challenger, featuring the new sail invention of Mr. Nicholson, first revealed here yesterday and will use during the cup races was bent on it was noticed that a strip of canvas which filled in the space between the bare wood and the mainsail itself had been lashed off. It made a continuous line of sail from the outer edges of the mast and is designed to help the yacht to windward.

The Resolute was towed in just before dark last evening from the Staten Island yard to which she was sent Monday for the secondary cleaning made necessary by the sticky oils through which she passed in getting out of the Morse Dry Dock. The damage done to her

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### DETECTIVES TRACE GIRL WHO CASHED ELWELL'S CHECK

Also Anxious to Question Husband of Young Woman Whose Letters Turfman Held

SOUGHT AS WITNESSES.

Society Friends Had Thought Whist Expert Might Wed Frequent Companion.

A young woman and her husband, both of high social standing and known in New York and in summer and winter resorts of America, are to-day in the centre of District Attorney Swann's investigation into the Joseph B. Elwell murder mystery.

They are now outside of the District Attorney's jurisdiction. He cannot summon them for cross-questioning. He has, however, detailed detectives to look into their goings and coming, and also to learn where they were and get all information pertaining to them on the morning of Elwell's murder and the preceding night.

A packet of letters, a cancelled check and the gossip of socially prominent persons have given the District Attorney's office hope that the young married couple may furnish a clue in the mystery.

The letters, as already told in The Evening World, were found in Elwell's home several days after his murder. They were addressed to the young woman, then unmarried, and some of them were just the average personal, confidential correspondence from girl and boy friends that a young girl might wish to keep from her parents—or, if married, from her husband too.

How she came to select Elwell as her literary custodian is not known, but the cancelled check, payable to the young woman and signed by Elwell, is taken by the investigators to indicate that the turfman had manoeuvred her into a position where she felt under obligations to him and in which he could control her actions by threatening to expose certain things to her husband.

YOUNG WIFE'S NAME SHIELDED BY SWANN.

Because the District Attorney's office believes the young woman was brought into Elwell's life either through her own indiscretions or through Elwell's superlative cunning, Mr. Swann has taken care to shield her name.

The same care is being accorded the husband who the District Attorney's office is careful to link with the case as a "desirable witness" and not as a "suspect" or as anything approaching a "suspect."

That the husband of the girl of the letters had reason himself to be jealous is indicated in a bit of society gossip which came to light to-day. It was said that before the "letter girl's" marriage after her fiancé's return from war, Elwell and she were together so often at parties in New York and at different watering resorts, Palm Beach and other fashionable places, that society came to look upon them as a "match."

A new character has entered the case as the result of the "letter girl's" correspondence. He is now believed to be in Chicago, and District Attorney Swann has sent a detective there to watch him. Reticence in regard to this man's identity was maintained by the District Attorney to-day, but it was learned that the new character was mentioned in one of the girl's epistles and that he is the divorced husband of a woman who admitted having been a friend of Elwell.

Mr. Swann to-day assumed full charge of the investigation born of the packet of letters and returned checks. He would make no statement except that he was hopeful of a solution by his men, who are running down every possible clue, no matter how remote.

(Racing News on Page 20.)

### COAL WILL LAST UNTIL 7920 A. D., EXPERTS ASSERT

Supply of Anthracite, However, Is Likely to Give Out in 150 or 200 Years.

CLEVELAND, July 14.—COAL consumers of the United States will have no real worries until about the year 7920, according to State and Government inspectors attending the eleventh annual convention of the Mine Inspectors' Institute of America here to-day.

Hard coal will give out in 150 years or 200 years, but the soft coal supply is nearly inexhaustible, J. W. Paul, Chief Coal Mining Engineer of the United States Bureau of Mines, said. The inspectors see evidence of enough soft coal to run the country 6,000 years.

### LA FOLLETTE TIES A STRING TO HIS PROMISE TO RUN

Sends Word to Third Party Leader Platform Must Measure Up to His Wishes.

MILWAUKEE, July 14.—Senator La Follette sent a message to the third party convention last night expressing his willingness to head its Presidential ticket, according to a statement made by the Senator to a newspaper correspondent. He intimated very strongly that the platform must measure up to his wishes before he would give his unequalled consent to carry the party's standard.

CHICAGO, July 14.—Little progress was made by the new Fusion Party during the first two hours of its convention to-day, and an undercurrent of dissatisfaction was in evidence throughout the meeting. It once more required the pleas of the leaders and constant conference to keep open breaks from cropping out.

At 11:45 A. M., the platform conference ordered the typing of a third version of a Fusion Party platform, and sent word to the convention that it would report at 2 P. M. The convention adjourned until that time.

The Committee of Forty-Eight at a morning caucus, decided to continue its State and National organization regardless of the action of the present convention, and to meet separately to-night to consider the convention action.

Senator La Follette was still being represented in platform conferences. The latest reports on the platform, show that some representatives of the Forty-Eight group would meet Senator La Follette's ideas in his plans on foreign relations and nationalization.

The Single Taxers have withdrawn from the new party, adopted their own plank platform and nominated Presidential candidates. For President they chose Robert C. Macauley of Philadelphia, and for Vice President they selected R. C. Barnum of Cleveland. They quit the new party, Jerome C. Davis, a Single Tax leader, said, because it was not only apparent they could not obtain their platform desires and a candidate committed to them but also because they "could not stand the Socialist ideas" of the dominant labor group.

FRANK GOULD TO FIGHT SUIT.

Supreme Court He Will Contest Separation Case.

Frank J. Gould to-day filed notice in the Supreme Court, through his attorneys, Leonard and Walker, that he will appear to contest the suit for separation brought by Mrs. Edith Kelly Gould, from whom he obtained a divorce decree in France.

The date of the trial has not been fixed.

### COX IS TO MAKE 500 SPEECHES ON 16,000-MILE TRIP

Undaunted at the Prospect of Travelling Two Hundred Miles a Day.

PLANS TO START SOON.

Will Talk Over the Programme With Wilson at the White House Sunday.

By George Buchanan Fife.  
(Special Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

COLUMBUS, O., July 14.—When Gov. James M. Cox has his conference with President Wilson next Sunday morning at the White House, one of the chiefly important subjects to be discussed is the Democratic candidate's plan for a speaking campaign which will carry him into most of the States of the Union.

He has decided that in this way alone can he bring home to the people the message of his party and its meaning to them. He feels, too, that if a community be asked to vote for a man it is entitled to see him and know him as something more than a name painted on a banner over Main Street near the Post Office.

Further still, he recognizes that the fellow who sits all day in the general store whittling a stick and damning the Government has a right to stand up in the back row and ask pertinent questions, and have them answered.

In making such a plan the Governor knows all the exhaustion of mind and body it entails, the long journeys, the snatches of sleep, the utter physical weariness, not to mention the thorns of the hecklers. But he intends to go through with it and to hit out as soon as possible after he delivers his speech of acceptance at Trail's End, his country home near Dayton.

Throughout the Middle West Gov. Cox is known as a campaigner of incredible endurance and enthusiasm, but the task he has now set up for himself is one which will demand far more of him than he ever gave, even in his famous gubernatorial campaign of 1914. The tour he has laid out for himself this time will take him more than 16,000 miles by train and automobile. He will be "on the road" so to say, for about eighty days, and in this time will deliver more than 500 addresses. He expects that his travelling will average more than 200 miles a day. There is nothing in this to daunt him, because he can look back six years and remember that in one day and one evening he addressed sixteen meetings stretched among the sixty miles between Cleveland and Toledo.

In the two and a half months of his journeying, which is to begin in California and take him in a zig-zag, saw-tooth path as far east as Maine, Gov. Cox will appear before thousands of people who hitherto had never set eyes upon him. When he comes upon the platform or speaks to them from his motor car, they will see a strong, compactly-built man of medium height, who does not look his fifty years. His face is tanned from outdoor life. His hair, dark brown, is ample for all brushing purposes. His eyes are blue-grey, the depth of them and the intensity of their regard accentuated by rimless eyeglasses.

His voice has, without harshness, a remarkable clearness and "carry." This latter quality, even when he speaks in normal voice, was manifested many times recently in his telephone conversation from the library at Trail's End to the convention hall at San Francisco, where Edward H. Moore, Charles E. Morris

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### CHAUFFEUR WHO KILLED WIFE OF BROKER AND SELF



BERNARD GEISLER.

### ALLIED PREMIERS SEEK TO PREVENT BREAK-UP AT SPA

Lloyd George Confers With German Minister Over Deadlock on Coal.

SPA, Belgium, July 14 (Associated Press).—In an effort to compose the differences between the Germans and the Allies over the question of coal deliveries by Germany and prevent a break-up of the conference here a series of informal conferences was arranged early this afternoon.

Premier Lloyd George received Dr. Walter Simons, the German Foreign Minister, at the latter's request this afternoon and told him emphatically the Allies were not bluffing.

Armond Legier, one of Supervising Agent Shewell's operators, who was arrested in Pennsylvania yesterday accused of transporting a truck load of fifty cases of whiskey was to-day held in \$500 bail by United States Commissioner Hittcock. His arrest followed stoner Hittcock by the Federal authorities of reports that dealers have been obtaining additional whiskey permits by means of "faked" robberies.

Field Marshal Wilson of Great Britain, who was summoned here yesterday by the Supreme Allied Council is expected to arrive here to-night.

Marshal Foch and Gen. Weygand, his assistant, arrived here from Paris at 3:30 o'clock this morning.

Konstantin Fehrenbach, German Chancellor and head of Germany's delegation here, and Dr. Simons, German Foreign Minister, suggested to the allied governments that they send a commission composed of Ministers and experts to Essen to meet workingmen and their representatives for the purpose of talking over the urgency of increasing coal production.

The Allied ministers, however, do not appear disposed to enter into direct negotiations with the German mining unions.

The secretary of the Belgian delegation at the conference here addressed a note to-day to the German representatives expressing regret that German newspaper correspondents had been subjected to ill treatment for singing "Die Wacht am Rhein."

TO SELL BREAD BY WEIGHT.

Pittsburgh Dealers Agree on Price of 12 Cents a Pound.

PITTSBURGH, July 14.—An agreement has been reached between wholesalers and retailers in the sale of bread, according to an announcement made here to-day. Under the plan, bread will be sold by the ounce instead of by the loaf, and three-fourths of a cent has been fixed as the standard price.

All loaves will be marked. It is said, as to weight, and purchasers will have the privilege of placing them on the scales.

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### WHISKEY IN DE CORDOVA CAR LEFT THERE BY THE HUSBAND OF WOMAN MURDER VICTIM

Employer Saw Signs of Mania in Chauffeur, He Says, but Overlooked Them—Confers With Slayer's Widow Two Hours.

Mrs. Bernard Geissler, widow of the chauffeur who killed his employer's wife, Mrs. Arthur De Cordova, on a lonely road near Stonington Conn., Monday night and then committed suicide, went to New London to-day to claim her husband's body, and appear at the Coroner's inquest into the double tragedy.

Mr. De Cordova, who with his two children, brought back Mrs. De Cordova's body last night, talked with Mrs. Geissler for two hours, but neither would reveal the substance or the result of their conversation.

It was not until this morning that Mr. De Cordova was sufficiently composed to speak of the case at length.

"I would like to clear up some details that have been published," he said. "As to the whiskey bottle in the car, it was mine. I always took a flask of whiskey in the machine. I was out driving Sunday and smoked a number of cigarettes, thus accounting for the stubs found."

"I have been assured by hotel employees that the story Mrs. De Cordova was sitting on the front seat when the machine left the Hotel Griswold is a mistake. The car was not a three-seated machine, as stated, but a five passenger touring car with a victoria top. Mrs. De Cordova was in the tonneau when she left the hotel."

"Barney Geissler never drank to my knowledge and at times when I invited him to take a drink he declined because he said he drank nothing but beer. I am sure he drank some of the whiskey from the bottle in the car, but his doing so is foreign to everything I knew of him."

CHAUFFEUR NEVER FAMILIAR WITH ANY OF FAMILY.

"He always showed devotion to the whole family, but never exhibited the slightest familiarity toward any of us."

"The revolver with which he did the shooting belonged to him. My son tells me Barney told him on the way up to New London that he had a revolver and offered to stop and get some blank cartridges so my son could use the revolver on the Fourth of July. My son declined as he did not want to stop."

"I am positive Barney was mentally unbalanced. Three weeks ago I ordered him to bring the car at 8 o'clock Sunday morning and he was late. He excused this on the ground that he had to go to mass and would not miss his devotions. When he passed a church he would bless himself."

"I did not take these things seriously, nor his opinion that he could do anything better than any one else. He thought no mechanic could do so much with an automobile, no chauffeur drive so well as he, and showed many signs of exaggerated ego."

GEISLER A PARANOIAC, DR. MEYER BELIEVES.

Dr. Floriz Meyer, husband of Mr. De Cordova's sister, said there was every indication Geissler was a paranoiac and committed his crime while suffering from a brainstorm.

Mrs. De Cordova's funeral will be held to-morrow at 2:30 at Campbell's Chapel, 67th Street and Broadway.

Mrs. Geissler has not yet arranged for her husband's burial.

She was not surprised at his death as she "knew something would happen to him."

Mrs. Geissler is a pretty brunette twenty-nine years old. She said she married Barney after a short courtship in February, 1917.

"I had a presentiment of his death," she said.

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BIBLE MONEY FOR WHISKEY.

Jerry, Policeman Accuses Wife in Suit for Divorce.